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## "BEING A RESTORED HUMAN"



# "BACK TO THE FUTURE" Part 2 REVELATION 13:1-2; SUPPORT SCRIPTURE

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# I. THE COMING OF THE BEAST

- A. "I" or "he"? John or the devil?
  - If it's the devil...
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  - In either case, he is rising <u>before</u> the Tribulation begins, not after Satan is enraged and murdering believers
- B. The sea (also called the deep)
  - 1. Covers 71% of earth's surface
  - 2. Created by God in the beginning and is <u>uninhabitable</u> by humans Gen 1:2
  - 3. <u>Conceals</u> much including the abyss, the abode of the demons or spirits or even the earth itself
  - 4. When it is used in the Bible, it means:

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- a. A large body of water
- b. Metaphorically, when <u>smooth</u>, order, peace, tranquility and righteousness
- c. Or metaphorically, when <u>rough</u> and turbulent, confusion, chaos, wickedness, death, movement of the spiritual world in a negative way stirring up the masses of the people or the mouth of Sheol craving offerings
- C. A beast Rev 13:1,2; 11:7; 17:3, 8; Dan 7:2-7
  - 1. Seven heads with blasphemous names which are seven <u>empires</u> (kings and kingdoms) 17:9-11
  - 2. 10 horns with diadems (royal crowns) which are 10 <u>nations</u> 17:12
  - 3. Like father, like son: Seven heads with diadems and 10 horns Rev 12:3
  - 4. Coming out of the sea or the bottomless pit? Yes! Rev 11:7; 17:8
  - 5. Like a leopard in body shape (speed like Greece)
    Feet with the power of the bear's paw (like
    Persia); mouth like a lion (like Babylon)
    Dan 7:2-7
  - 6. Empowered and enthroned by the dragon

### II. THE BIG PICTURE

- A. God creates the heavens and the earth
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